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**MEMORANDUM**

TO: LME Directors

FROM: Leza Wainwright 

RE: Establishment of New and Revised Standards for LME Single Stream Funding

In accordance with Session Law 2008-107 (HB 2436), Section 10.15(c), attached please find revised standards for LMEs related to single stream funding. This policy now outlines the criteria by which an LME may initially qualify for single stream funding status, the criteria under which that designation may be removed, and the criteria through which an LME whose designation for single stream funding is removed may apply for reinstatement of single stream funding status. These new criteria are effective February 1, 2009.

Per the requirements of the General Assembly, the standards for removal include a six months "grace period" for LMEs upon initial conversion to single stream funding. Also in response to legislative direction, the revised standards include a new mechanism for monitoring LME compliance with prompt provider payment included in the current Performance Contract. They also reflect an increased emphasis on ensuring LME compliance with data submission requirements.

Questions regarding these changes may be addressed to Spencer Clark at [Spencer.Clark@ncmail.net](mailto:Spencer.Clark@ncmail.net) or (919) 733-4670.

Enclosure

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